

## Non-Attainment Zone Burning Schedule

### For Lincoln County

(Outside the Attainment Zone - Impact Zone L)

Dec  
Jan  
Feb

**Burn Season Closed**  
No burning due to air quality concerns.

Mar  
Apr

**Spring Burning Season**  
No permit required  
Check Air Quality at 1-800-225-6779

May  
Jun

**Burn Permits Required**  
**Info:** [lcfiresafe.org/outdoor-burning](http://lcfiresafe.org/outdoor-burning)  
**Contact Local USFS or DNRC Agency**  
Check Air Quality at 1-800-225-6779

July  
Aug  
Sept

**It's FIRE SEASON in Montana**  
**\*\*NO DEBRIS BURNING\*\***  
Fire season may be extended as conditions warrant.

Oct  
Nov

**Fall Burning Season**  
No permit required  
Check Air Quality at 1-800-225-6779

Burn Permits are only required in May & June. They are **FREE** & available from your local fire protection agency. Please see the attached map for which USFS District or DNRC Office to contact in your area.

**USFS - Troy District Office: 406-295-4693**  
**USFS - Eureka District Office: 406-296-2536**  
**USFS - Libby District Office: 406-293-7773**  
**DNRC - Libby: 406-293-2711**

In Lincoln County, Air Quality compliance is required for every burn. Call the DEQ Air Quality Hotline, the day you plan to burn, for updated ventilation and burning forecast **1-800-225-6779**.

**County Burn regulations can be found at:**  
[lincolncountymt.us/environmental-health/air-quality](http://lincolncountymt.us/environmental-health/air-quality)

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Management Burn Permit Required in March  
Residential Burning in April - Permit Required  
Check Air Quality at 406-293-5644

May  
Jun

**Management Burn Permits Required**  
[lincolncountymt.us/environmental-health/air-quality](http://lincolncountymt.us/environmental-health/air-quality)  
**See Information Below**  
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**Management Burn Permit Required in October**  
Burning closed in the month of November  
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**Management Burns** are only permitted from March 1st - October 31st. A burn permit must be obtained. Verbal authorization is required the day you plan to burn. Contact **Jake Mertes 283-2444**  
**Burn Permit Inside Libby Rural Fire District: Steve Lauer 283-1883**  
**Burn Permit Outside Libby Rural Fire District: Jennifer Nelson - 283-2322**

**Residential Burning** is open April 1st - April 30th (Department may extend the residential burning season into the month of May.)

Contact Lincoln County Health Department for permit: **283-2442**  
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- ✓ Air Quality compliance is required for every burn.  
Call **1-800-225-6779** for ventilation and burning forecast.
- ✓ Build burn piles of manageable size and in areas clear of surrounding or overhanging vegetation.
- ✓ Build piles with dry materials so they burn clean and fast.  
**Do not burn wet grass, needles, leaves, or material that will smolder or produce excess smoke.**
- ✓ Burn piles should not be closer than 50-ft to any structure or 10-ft from any property line.
- ✓ Fires should be attended until completely out.
- ✓ Fires are not out until cold to the touch with no flame or smoke.
- ✓ Enough tools, water, and people should be available to extinguish your fire if necessary.
- ✓ Call 911 immediately if your fire does burn out of control.
- ✓ Fires are not allowed when burn restrictions are in effect or during periods of impaired air quality.
- ✓ Fires must be completely extinguished if any emission from the fire is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of any person; if it causes damage to property or business; or if it causes a nuisance to others.
- ✓ Landing piles must be broken apart & completely extinguished before the end of the permit period.
- ✓ Ignition may only occur during daylight hours.



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